

bMinutes of a meeting of Denbigh Town Council held on Monday 15th December 2014 at 6.30pm at the Town Hall, Denbigh.

Present: Councillors Rob Parkes (chairman), Raymond Bartley, Gaynor Morgan Rees, Medwyn Williams, Geraint Williams, Colin L Hughes, Roy Tickle, Mark Young, Gaynor Wood, Catherine Jones, and Medwyn Jones (Town Clerk).

Apologies: Cllrs Brian Davies, Colin Hughes, Philip Stevens, Margaret Bowe.

The chairman welcomed all to the last meeting of 2014.

153. Urgent Matters: There were none

154. Declaration of Personal Interest: The following declarations were received:

- (1) Cllr Gaynor Morgan Rees – agenda item 7(14) – correspondence – Theatr Twm o'r Nant
- (2) Cllr Colin L Hughes – agenda item 9(1) – Grant aid – Wireless in Wales
- (3) Cllr Roy Tickle – agenda item 9(1) – Grant aid – Denbigh Golf Club
- (4) Cllr Geraint Williams – all matters relating to Denbighshire County Council.
- (5) Cllr Raymond Bartley – all matters relating to Denbighshire County Council.

155. The Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 24th November 2014 were approved.

156. Matters Arising: (1) Minute no 147 – ICT. The town clerk referred to the e-mail response received from Graham Boase re CCTV which was noted.

(2) Minute 149 (1) – County Councillors' report – Middle Lane. The town clerk referred to the e-mail received from Paul McGrady which was noted.

(3) Minute 151 – DCC budget proposals. The town clerk referred to the e-mail reply from DCC which was noted.

(4) Minute 148(3) – A55 signage. The town clerk referred to the letter from Ann Jones AM and the e-mail from Chris Ruane MP – both were noted. It was also agreed that the town council link up to the Facebook page.

157. Mayor's Report: The Mayor's written report was accepted. The Mayor elaborated on the recent event run by the Carnival Committee. Comment was also made that the event had proved popular and that the organisers be congratulated.

158. Letters, E-mails and Notices: 1. It was agreed that sixteen items of correspondence be noted.

2. It was further agreed that the following be noted and actioned accordingly:

- (1) One Voice Wales – Buckingham Palace Garden Parties – it was agreed to submit the Mayor's name.
- (2) NWWTFC Golf Tournament – Cllr Roy Tickle confirmed that Denbigh's team would include two lady members
- (3) E-mail from Charlie Hobson re Denbigh Business Group. It was agreed that the e-mail be accepted with thanks.
- (4) E-mail from Councillor Gwyneth Kensler re waste bin at the bottom of Broomhill Lane. It was agreed that the bin should be relocated and not removed completely.
- (5) Denbigh & Flint Hunt meeting on Boxing Day. The response from the Hunt was noted with thanks
- (6) Capel Mawr public meeting 13.1.15. It was agreed that the town council be represented by Cllrs Rob Parkes, Catherine Jones and Gaynor Wood.



- (7) The grant aid application received from Theatr Twm or Nant was referred to the grant aid sub-committee.
- (8) DCC e-mail response re Denbigh High Street railings was noted. Comment was made as to whether DCC appreciated the health and safety issues involved.

159. Planning: Following discussion, it was agreed that no objection be raised in respect of the following applications for planning permission:

- (1) 11, Cysgod y Graig
- (2) 3, Karen Court
- (3) 17, Park Street
- (4) Norpark
- (5) Segrwyd Isa

With regard to the two planning applications received in respect of the Former North Wales Hospital, the meeting was of the opinion that more time was required to consider the applications. It was agreed that an extension of time be requested.

2. Other planning matters: (1) The five planning certificates received were noted.

160 Minutes / Reports of council sub committees: (1) Grant Aid: The minutes of a recent meeting were considered. Each recommendation on applications received contained in the minutes was considered and approved as follows:

- (1) Wireless in Wales - £1,039.92(S.137)(cheque no.005519)
- (2) Urdd - £150 (S.145)(cheque no.005520)
- (3) Stroke Association - £100 (S.137)(cheque no.005521)
- (4) With regard to the application received from Denbigh Round Table the further information required had been received since the grant aid meeting. However, it was agreed that the application be further deferred for the grant aid sub-committee to consider the additional information.
- (5) The application from Denbigh Golf was deferred for up to date accounts / financial details to be provided

161. Reports: (1) Thomas Gee. The town clerk gave an update on the plans for a celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Gee. All arrangements were moving along smoothly.

(2) Town Hall Management. The town clerk's written report was considered and approved.

(3) WW1 Commemoration Group. The town clerk's written report was considered and approved

(4) Denbigh Bowls Club. Cllr Rob Parkes reported on a recent meeting. The club was frustrated due to the lack of communication from DCC.

There were no other reports.

162. Reports by County Councillors on Matters Appertaining only to Denbigh:

- 1. Cllr Geraint Williams reported: (1) Dealing with a number of individual ward problems. (2) Along with Cllrs Colin Hughes and Gwyneth Kensler, Cllr Williams had attended a recent meeting at the Guildhall re DCC budget cuts. The meeting had felt that there had been insufficient consultation. Apparently DCC did not need to consult. The number of hits made was less than 1% of the county's population. The group concerned was organising another meeting in January 2015.



2. Cllr Raymond Bartley reported: (1) Former Kwik Save site. The site had now been sold. Home Bargains was taking over the old Kwik Save building. Other interested in locating on the site: Aldi, Peacocks, Iceland, Pound Shop. The development will boost the economic climate and provide jobs in the town. More information will be available in January. (2) The speed checks in the Green has been hailed a success. (3) Concerns were being expressed regarding the speed and noise of cars on the Denbigh by-pass – the road was now being policed by laser guns. (4) The re-surfacing work on Myddleton Park had started. (5) The town clock was once again slowing down and causing a number of public concerns. (6) The Middle Lane site was up for sale via sealed to be opened on the 23rd January 2015. (7) The 2013 Eisteddfod chair following a tour of Denbighshire libraries was now in Ruthin Gaol and not in the Denbigh Library as originally agreed. Assurances had been given that it will return in time to the Denbigh Library. (8) The Denbigh by-pass verges had been cleared up.
- Both county councillors responded to questions on (1) What would happen to the Green bins after January, (2) Voting on the DCC budget cuts and people being targeted unfairly via social media, (3) Sealed bids, (4) Middle Lane site and the hope that it would not suffer the same fate as the former North Wales Hospital site.

163. Accounts 1. The following accounts were approved for payment:

(1)	SLCC – town clerk's membership 2015 (Cheque no. 005510)	-	£210.00
(2)	DCC – repair to Christmas light feature (minute 106(4)92) refers) (Cheque no. 005511)	-	£907.62
(3)	DCC – remove bunting (Cheque no. 005512)	-	£288.00
(4)	DCC – road closure signs and barriers – fireworks display (Cheque no. 005513)	-	£309.16
(5)	Marian Ll. Rees – translation service 24.11.14 (Cheque no. 005514)	-	£102.00
(6)	Sandra Williams – translation service 10.11.14 & 17.11.14 (Cheque no. 005515)	-	£260.40
(7)	ADT – CCTV repair call outs x 2 (Cheque no. 005516)	-	£706.80
(8)	Canda Copying – photocopier charges (Cheque no. 005517)	-	£159.98
(6)	Sodexo – grounds maintenance Dr E P Garden (Cheque no. 005518)	-	£605.88

Total payments: £3,549.84

- 2 Any other Financial Matters: (1) The Monthly financial report 1.4.14 – 30.11.14 was noted. (2) Consent was given to the town clerk / finance officer to make payments of any accounts received between 16th December 2014 and the next council meeting on the 12th January 2015. (3) The quotation received for a new computer and other items for the community archive team was considered and accepted in the sum of £832 plus VAT (4) It was agreed that the town clerk's second confidential report regarding possible savings on the council budget be dealt with under Part 2.



164. 2015 Heritage Lectures. The town clerk referred to the draft programme. The chairing of each lecture was agreed upon.

At this stage the meeting moved to Part 2

Following the completion of the business under Part 2 and there being no further business the chairman wished all a Happy Christmas and New Year and closed the meeting at 8.20pm

Signed: .....(chairman)

Date: .....

